

STEWARDSHIP

June 3rd.....\$2,879 June 10th.....\$1,290
Ashes to Easter Boxes.....\$487.85

Bobcat Catholics like you provide more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to Christ. Contact Tom Deming, Development Director, anytime to join our mission at 512-738-5920 or tdeming@txstatecatholic.org

SEEDS

Our society, someone has declared, is suffering from "jumboitis". We need the biggest military, the biggest car, the biggest business, and so forth. "The bigger, the better" and "the more, the merrier" seem to be the adages that govern us. But are they really true? Many don't think so. Including Jesus. We find Jesus giving high praise for just two copper coins, five measly barley loaves and two dried up fish, little children, crowds of only two or three being gathered together, and services rendered for even the least of our brothers and sisters. With Jesus, bigger isn't better. Today's Gospel account has two parables about tiny things - little seeds. The farmer, once he plants them, doesn't understand how the growth happens, he just knows that it does. If he plants seeds, waters and nourishes them, he knows they will produce. He also knows he is not in control. Well, what does all of this

horticulture have to do with us? First of all, Jesus is giving us fair warning that we ought not to confuse size with importance. Don't confuse large numbers with what's right or good for your soul. Consider your choices carefully. Don't allow yourself to be stampeded by the crowd. Also, we can be sure that in spite of appearances, in spite of what a secularized world wants us to believe, God has not abandoned His world. God is at work in ways we cannot directly see. The way things look is not necessarily the way things are. Jesus speaks of mustard seeds and grains of wheat. Even though we may think we have little faith God can take what little we have and make something wonderful out of it. God is always taking small and seemingly insignificant things and turning them into things of infinite worth. If we simply give up, then God doesn't have any effort from us that He can work with. If we think

we don't have any talents and simply don't bother to act, then what will happen? Nothing! We cannot stop wars. But we can be kind and forgiving toward those around us. We cannot abolish prejudice. But we can be courteous and have genuine respect toward those who are "different" from us. We cannot end crime and political corruption. But we can be honest in all of our dealings. We cannot wipe out poverty, but we can help those in need. All of these are mustard seeds, little things that God turns into very significant things, that in the divine economy become big things. We are all very important. With God, small beginnings can have amazing outcomes. So it is that with God we walk by faith, not by sight because God is in control when we nurture and care for what He has mysteriously planted deep inside us. We must walk by faith in order to see what God will do.

from Fr. Charles Irvin

COMMUNITY-WIDE BBQ & BINGO BASH

With Prizes

Meat and drinks will be provided by our Parish Engagement Team. Feel free to bring a side dish! Food, fun and fellowship.

Sunday July 1st 11:30AM -2:30PM

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RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK

June 22-29, 2018

Religious freedom protects the space in which we can continue to serve others in God's Love, in healthcare, child welfare, migration, education and more. Join Catholics across the country in prayer and action for Religious Freedom. "Religious Freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. All are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens." -Pope Francis

FR. CRAIG'S SUMMER MINI SERIES SESSIONS

Join Fr. Craig discussing the beauty of our Mass

Friday June 22nd Thursday June 28th & Thursday July 5th At 6pm in the Library

FR. CRAIG'S KAYAKING ADVENTURES

Saturday June 30th Saturday July 21st & Saturday August 4th

Bring your own kayak and meet between the Lion's Club and Playground parking lot at 9am ready to go. Prepare for a 6 mile journey at a leisurely pace (about 5-6 hours). Enjoy San Marcos' nature and the Lord's work.

ORDINATIONS

Bishop Joe Vásquez will ordain Deacons Henry Cuellar, Andrew Dinh and Paul-Michael Piega to the priesthood Sat. June 23 at 10:30 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Parish.

\*\*NOTICE\*\*

NO 5pm Sunday Mass until August 19th, 2018.

SUNDAY CONFESSION CANCELLED

Fr. Craig on Vacation

Tue. 6/12 thru Wed. 6/20

Schedule

June 18th-20th

Mon., 12:30pm- Communion Service Tue., 5:15pm- Communion Service Wed., 12:30pm- Communion Service



Today Loving God, we pray for fathers. We pray for all fathers, for all they do, and for the lives they've nurtured.

Bulletin Submissions bulletin@txstatecatholic.org

Send content, questions, suggestions, etc. Deadline: Wednesdays 5pm

Thank you to our visiting priests today! You are truly a blessing.